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SUBJ: 26 TH WHA: NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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1. I HAVE BEEN UNABLE SO FAR TO MAKE APPROACH REQUESTED REFTEL. HOWEVER, I HAD CHECKED WITH ROK AMBASSADOR LEE ON RECEIPT OF MESSAGE AND HE WAS ABLE TO MAKE DEMARCHE MAY 11 TO SECRETARY GENERAL OF FOREIGN MINISTRY, ASKING LATTER FOR " REAFFIRMATION" OF GOCAR POSITION. SEC GEN LATER INDICATED TO LEE THAT ROK HAD " NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT", ALTHOUGH NO DEFINITIVE RRESPONSE ACTUALLY GIVEN. FACT IS THAT PRESIDENT, FOREIGN MINISTER, AND SEVERAL OTHER KEY OFFICIALS OUT OF COUNTRY UNTIL PROBABLY MAY 15 AND NO AUTHORITATIVE CONSIDERATION OR ACTION IS AT ALL LIKELY UNTIL THEIR RETURN. LEE INTENDS TO CONTACT FOREIGN MINISTER ON HIS RETURN.

2. I WILL CONTINUE TO ATTEMPT TO FOLLOW UP LEE' S APPROACH WITH APPROPRIATE ONE OF MY OWN AND WILL REPORT FURTHER. RE DIRECT U. S. APPROACH TO BOKASSA, STRONGLY BELIEVE THIS INADVISABLE. LEE SAYS
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HE IS PREPARED TO DO SO HIMSELF IF NECESSARY.

3. LEE ADVISES ME THAT ACCORDING TO PHONE CALL FROM ROK DEL GENEVA, CAR DEL CHIEF AND MEMBERS PLAN TO BE ABSENT ON BUSINESS IN PARIS WHEN ITEM LIKELY TO COME UP IN WHA. LEE INTENDS TO ASK GOCAR AT LEAST TO KEEP SOMEONE IN GEHO PROJECT IN THAILAND. HE IS SUCH A KEY INDIVIDUAL IN THESE RESPECTS THAT WE WOULD VIEW HIS SLECTION WITH MIXED EMOTIONS.

5. IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT' S GUIDANCE WE HAVE NOT INDICATED TO RTG ANY USG INTEREST IN INFLUENCING SELECTION OF DRUG ADVISOR.
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